

## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, lines 8-11, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- It is a further object of the present invention to provide an automatic towel presenting, washing and drying machine and method in which the cleaning action is separated into two independent stages, a first soaking and washing stage and a second [[washing]] rinsing and drying stage, not being performed simultaneously or being time dependent.--